

# Griffith Remains Firm As Doc Ayers Begs for Release---Pitcher Must Pay Fine

## GRIFFITH IS FIRM WITH "DOC" AYERS

Insists That Richmond Twirler Shall Pay Fine Before He Can Play Ball.

## MEETS GRIFF AT STATION

"Old Fox" Undecided as to Disposition of Case Should Penalty Be Complied With.

## By "SENATOR"

PHILADELPHIA, April 27.—Doc Ayers, the recalcitrant twirler who declined to report to the Climbers at Charlottesville and gave out lengthy interviews to the scribes of the Virginia capital, must pay his fine before he can even have speech with the leader of the Nationals. He is becoming nervous now over his inability to play anything but semi-pro baseball, and not much of that, and would again get into the good graces of the organized element. However, Manager Griffith has issued his ultimatum, and that's all there is to it. Ayers must pay that fine or remain at his books in the medical school at Richmond.

"Ayers met me at the station in Washington yesterday just before I went through the gates," says Manager Griffith. "He told me that he wanted to straighten out matters between us. I gave him no satisfaction whatever, merely reminding him of my last letter to him. There is only one thing for him to do, and he knows it. Until he squares himself for reporting at Charlottesville I shan't have a thing to say to him. That's an end to his case."

Griffith Undecided.

"What'll I do with him after he settles his fine? I don't know," said Griffith. "I don't want to have him on my team who don't want to play ball. I fall to see how he wants to play ball very badly when he has a chance to make a berth for himself with a major league team, and he is too stubborn to join that team in the training camp. I'm off him, that's all."

There is a possibility, nevertheless, for Ayers to get a trial with the Climbers. Unless the pitchers become more effective very shortly, Manager Griffith may be forced to try him out in self-defense. Ayers did good work last season for the Richmond Virginia Leaguers, and might develop into a capable man. Griffith has not yet decided to dig down in his jeans and pay that fine before he can play ball again.

The Richmond club is seeking to obtain Ayers from Griffith for this season, agreeing to turn him over to the Climbers in the fall. Ayers, too, wants to play in his home town. The matter is still in the air.

## Cashion Rounding to

Carl Cashion, the Carolina curver, is rounding to and it would not be surprising to see him in the game shortly. The big fellow has given his arm a complete rest during the winter and yesterday he showed all his old-time speed with very good control when he warmed up in right field. Manager Griffith is counting on the mountaineer to bolster the pitching staff on this trip, which will take about all the strength of the team.

Joe Engel has about recovered from the injury to his finger and will be used regularly from now on. The Washington team is looking for him and ties—no, not cravats—looks like one of the best youngsters in the league.

Though "Moose" Morgan is the better player on the first glance, Jacinto Calvo is likely to get the first trial with the Climbers. Morgan has a vacancy occurs in the ranks of the gardeners.

"Calvo is the first substitute," says Manager Griffith, in talking about the extra fielders. "He can hit, I've no doubt about that at all. He is now learning something about fielding. He'll be in the game before the season is over."

## Batting Order Shake-up

A shake-up in the batting order is likely, too, before long. The players are clamoring the ball for the time being but the wrong men are up in the pinches. E. "Dorf" Almsmith is falling down too often when a hit means a run and he may be slipped back to the old place just ahead of the pitcher. Beyond a bit of good-natured joking, little is heard of the rumored marriage of Walter Johnson to Miss Scully. Walter is naturally a very popular fellow, and he was inclined to be indignant at the report circulated. The whole affair is blowing over and Walter, naturally a quiet fellow, is enjoying what might happen to other and more boisterous members of the team.

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Score by innings: R. H. E.  
Business High 2 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0  
Charlotte Hall 0 0 0 0 0 1 2 5 1  
Batteries—Kelly, Derrick, and Wood; Jarvis and Campbell.

## Climbers' Averages

	G.	A.	R.	H.	S.	B.	P.	Pct.
Moeller	10	38	5	18	8	1	342	
Shanks	10	37	8	12	4	3	323	
McBride	10	37	7	11	1	3	297	
Almsmith	10	33	8	9	6	1	242	
Gandil	10	42	4	13	0	0	310	
Foster	6	26	2	7	3	0	369	
Milan	10	43	8	11	8	1	256	
Morgan	10	39	7	8	3	0	205	

## Baseball Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE.				
Standing of the Clubs.				
	W.	L.	Pct.	Today
Philadelphia	10	4	.714	.730
Cleveland	10	4	.714	.687
Washington	7	3	.700	.727
Pittsburgh	3	7	.300	.500
St. Louis	6	9	.400	.373
Boston	5	8	.385	.429
Detroit	5	8	.385	.357
New York	2	11	.154	.214

Today's Games.				
St. Louis at Chicago.	Cleveland at Detroit.	Washington at Philadelphia.	Boston at New York.	

Yesterday's Results.				
Philadelphia, 3; Washington, 2.	Boston, 5; New York, 5.	Chicago, 1; St. Louis, 0.	Cleveland-Detroit—Rain.	

NATIONAL LEAGUE.				
Standing of the Clubs.				
	W.	L.	Pct.	Today
New York	7	3	.700	.727
Philadelphia	7	4	.637	.615
Chicago	8	4	.667	.615
Philadelphia	5	3	.625	.566
Brooklyn	5	5	.500	.499
St. Louis	5	7	.417	.380
Cincinnati	2	8	.200	.182
Boston	2	9	.182	.167

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Pittsburgh at Chicago.	Cincinnati at St. Louis.	New York at Brooklyn.	Philadelphia at Boston.	

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Brooklyn, 10; New York, 3.	Philadelphia, 10; Boston, 4.	Chicago, 7; Pittsburgh, 2.	St. Louis, 6; Cincinnati, 5.	

C. U. TEAM AWAITS BUCKNELL'S COMING				
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Game From Trinity College by 9 to 3 Score.				
After having disposed of Trinity College on the Brookland diamond by 9 to 5, Catholic University is now marking time in anticipation of a victory from Bucknell next Thursday when that team comes to the Washington diamond.				

The Tar Heels failed to compare in any department of the game with Coach Moran's aggregation, the game being a complete one-sided from the beginning. Perhaps because it was in poor company, perhaps because of fatigue from its recent heavy schedule, Catholic University departed itself far below the standard of baseball which it has shown itself capable of playing. <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>								
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## C. U. TEAM AWAITS

Batteries—Green and Smith; Knap and Maddox.				
Senatorial Snapshots				

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 27.—It was the biggest crowd of the season, the huge stands being well-nigh filled.				
Umpire Dineen bawled out Manager Griffith in loud tones in the second inning, ordering him to cease his coaching from the dugout or leave the field.				

Dineen's judgment on balls and strikes did not please the Philly fans any more than they did the Capital City boys earlier in the week and he was jeered for a lot of fun and was inclined to be indignant at the report circulated.								
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BROOKLYN, April 27.—Brooklyn and New York had a battle royal before a big crowd yesterday, the locals winning, 5 to 3, by better hitting. Long Grives for extra bases played a big part in the scoring, which was confined to three innings. Score by innings: R. H. E.				

Brooklyn	0	0	1	2	0	0	3	2
New York	0	0	0	0	0	3	5	1

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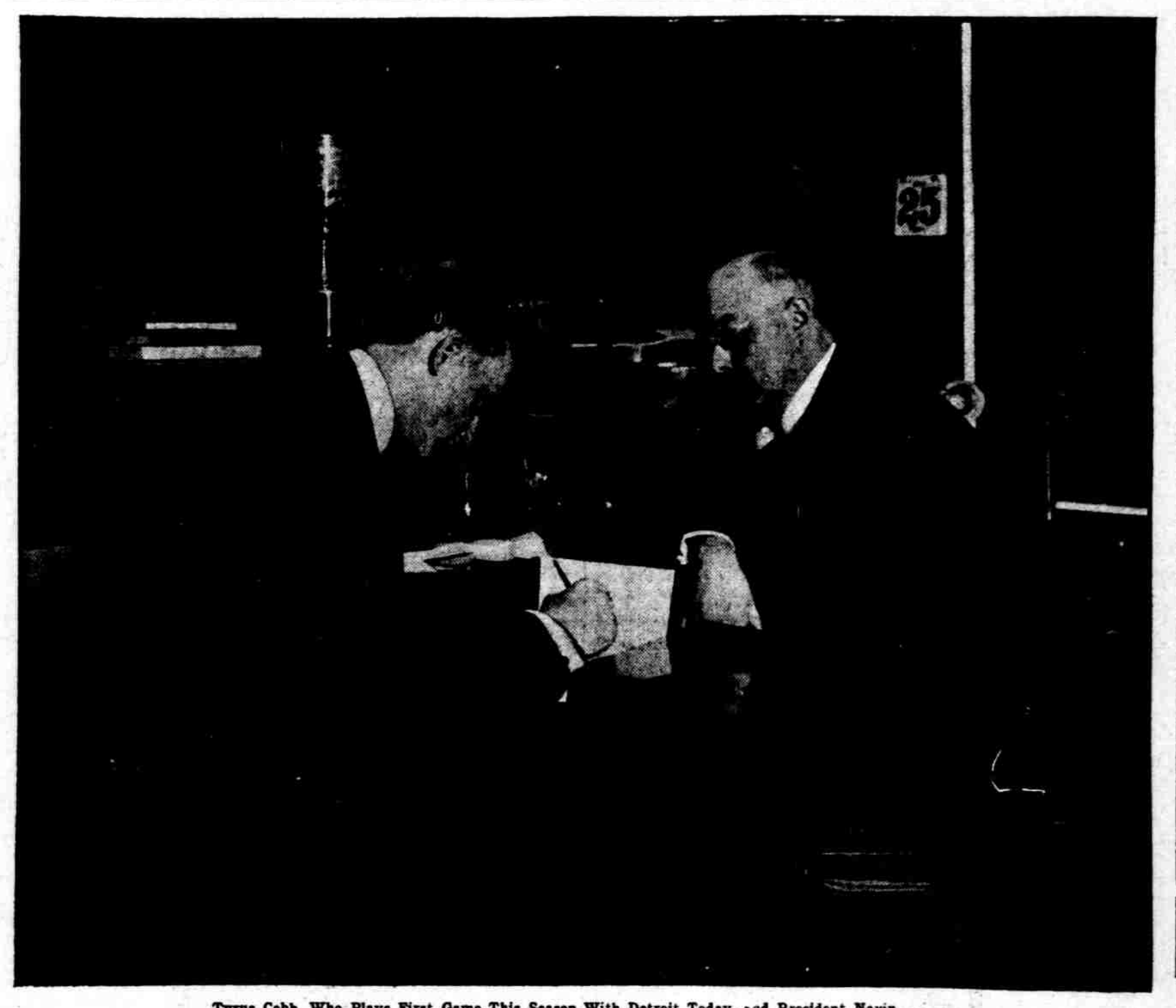
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## Player and Magnate Who Have Settled Differences



Tyrus Cobb, Who Plays First Game This Season With Detroit Today, and President Navin.

## CLIMBERS FAIL TO ACCEPT CHANCES AND ATHLETICS CAPTURE FIRST GAME

Brooklanders Take Listless First Defeat Is Direct Result of Lost Opportunities on Part of Climbers.

## By "SENATOR"

PHILADELPHIA, April 27.—A story of lost opportunities, of chances to seize the bird of victory by the hind legs last time and time again, of a resounding triple to the right field by that terror of the diamond, Eddie Collins, one screaming double for the corner of left field by that inimitable jumping jack of baseball, "Stuffy" McInnis—in these words you have the complete tale of the defeat of the Climbers in their first tussle with the White Elephants, by a score of 3 to 2.

The Climbers should have won their game hands down. But when a bingle was vitally necessary, their vaunted prowess was forgotten, and they became as lame and blind gladiators. In the very first inning the bases were filled with quick-moving frogs, each waiting eagerly for a chance to race for the plate, but neither Morgan nor Almsmith was capable of working the trick.

In the second the men from the Capital did manage to shove one run across the plate, but they should have had at least one more, and possibly more than that. After McBride had scored Hughes was killed at the plate and Laporte was unable to drive in Moeller and Milan, who were perched on third and second respectively.

Again in the sixth the Climbers ran four bases in that frame and failed to score. Almsmith was murdered by a sizzling peg by Lapp to Baker and Hughes ignominiously waved thrice with Shanks and McBride tugging at the leash that kept them from scoring.

## Cannonading Does It.

Heavy cannonading in the eighth landed the victory for the Mackmen, breaking up what had been an even fight from the very start. Eddie Murphy reached first after stopping a pitched ball with his frame, but he was struck at second on Oldrick's roller to McBride. Then came that awful demerit. Eddie Collins. He ripped off a drive that cleared Moeller's head and hit the fence in right center scoring Oldrick and giving the slugger three bases.

With memories of other days dancing before him, Hughes passed Frank Baker, amid the yells and jeers of 20,000 fans who wanted to see him drive it over the wall. Oldrick's run had tied the score and Hughes was taking no chances with the Giant-killer. "Stuffy" McInnis proved the boy for the job. He reached up at a high one and hammered it far into the extreme corner of left field, scoring Collins and reaching second himself. Baker had gone to third and the aged and crafty corner of left field, scoring Collins and reaching second himself. Baker had gone to third and the aged and crafty corner of left field, scoring Collins and reaching second himself.

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ner. But he was cursed with effeminate swinging in the pinches. So he lost.

Brown started poorly, wobbling badly in the opening innings. As he went along, though, he grew better and Connie Mack decided to let him continue. He would have finished the game except for the necessity of sending Danny Murphy in to hit for him in the seventh.

Byron Houck, tow-headed and speedy, followed Brown to the hillock and made a good impression. Ray Morgan getting the one hit off his slants in the last two frames.

## Many Good Plays.

Many good plays marked the battle. Pete Daley, subbing in center for Amos Strunk, the door knob gardener, contributed two pretty running catches in short center. He handled himself throughout like a veteran.

The fielding of Jack Barry and George McBride was marvelous. Each star in his position raced to both sides and stopped balls deked for sure hits. One of McBride's was made over at Ray Morgan's regular position.

"Zeb" Milan came... for his share of the applause when he pulled down Danny Murphy's long fly in the seventh and pegged on a line to the plate, getting McInnis by inches. In this, however, he was assisted greatly by E.

## BOB THAYER'S SPORTING GOSSIP

### "EVERY KNOCK IS A BOOST."

### Tough to lose.

It is tough to lose that first one on the big trip, but the team goes away better fortified than at this time last year. Walter Johnson will probably be called upon tomorrow to take up the running, and it's almost one to one that he will have a break in the luck and Boss Griff would have counted that one yesterday.

### Moeller is better.

Those who saw Danny Moeller's play in this time last season can see what an improved youngster the lad is right now. That shoulder seems to have become stronger and the boy is delivering a good showing. It is to be hoped that he keeps up his pace set. He was a trifle slow starting last season and says that he is not in good form in the spring.

### Ty Cobb to play.

T. Raymond Cobb gets into the game today and whether he wins or loses it is almost certain that he will pull off something sensational. The mere fact that the Georgia Peach will be appearing in the line-up is enough to draw a mob to the Cleveland park. Right now Joe Jackson is in the luck and unless Cobb is in form he will suffer in comparison.

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"Dorf" Almsmith, who stood like another Gibraltar and literally threw McInnis off his feet by the force of their collision, tagging him before he could squirm around to the plate. McInnis was badly shaken up by that terrific bump and Almsmith was roundly hissed by the fans.

"Chick" Gandil's work around first was glitzy, his long reach coming in handy several times in taking high throws from Laporte and McBride.

## Griffen Start Well.

The Climbers got away to a good start and should have scored in the very first frame. Moeller walked, going to second on Milan's single to left. He was killed off at third on Laporte's soft roller to Brown. Gandil walked, filling the corners. A run seemed certain, but Daley chased in almost to the infield and grabbed Morgan's hotlet. Eddie Collins leaped over to the mid-field cushion for Almsmith's bid for a bingle and got his man by inches.

Daley again galloped in almost to the infield for Shanks's fly in the second, but McBride cracked a single to left, reaching third when Tomasso Hughes beat out a topped ball to the pitcher. Danny Murphy's single left scored McBride and put Hughes on third. Milan hit to Barry and Hughes perished at the pan.

## Hits Are Not Forthcoming at Time When Nationals Have the Bases Filled.

Then Laporte sent Daley far out for his fly, ending the spurt.

The Mackmen tied the score in the fourth. Collins ripped a double to right for a starter and scored from second on Frank Baker's drive to right. Baker's hit almost severed Gandil's hands at the wrist.

Victory seemed sure for the Climbers after they had shoved their second run across in the eighth, for Hughes was pitching good ball and giving the Mackmen much trouble.

After Houck had forced Gandil to sky to Daley, Morgan jounced a bingle to center and traveled all the way to third on a wild pitch to the stands. Almsmith whiffed. Shanks sent a long fly to right center that Eddie Murphy muffed fairly and squarely, letting Morgan score and Shanks reach second. Barry ran out into the garden and pulled down McBride's near-buff.

The excitement was saved for the last of this inning, when the Mackmen fell upon Hughes with murderous intent and achieved their purpose, his downfall.

Here are the painful details of the first defeat of the Climbers in Philly this season:

elved and would be kept, and that seats would be sent at the proper time. Mr. Brock will have the laugh on the fans if his confidence in the